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TO:

FROM:

RE:

Lynn Kunzler, Senior Reclamation Specialist Documentation of Phone Call Regarding Utah Building Stone, Grouse Creek Operations,

M/003/031. Box Elder County, Utah

At approximately 8:30 am today I received a phone call from Joyce Rosco, an adjacent landowner and quarry operator (Skyline Pine Ouarry, S/003/040) to the Bown's (Utah Building Stone) Grouse Creek Operations (M/003/031).

During the phone conversation, she reported to me that she was at her quarry site yesterday (October 22, 1997) and observed Bill Bown loading stone from Section 2, T12N, R17W and wanted to know if the Bown's were authorized to remove stone from that area (this is the state section that is included in the Grouse Creek Operations). I informed her of the Board Order that prohibited the removal of stone until he had certain reclamation work completed or had a surety posted and the plan submitted, neither of which has been done to date. Violation of the Order could be considered a willful and knowing violation of the Act. At this time she also informed me that when they were on site on July 4, 1997, Bill Bown was also removing stone from the site.

In summary, with these two instances of violation of the Board Order, this makes a total of at least four separate days that someone has observed the Bown's operating in violation of the Order. The other two instances were on August 19, 1997 when I, along with Jerry Frazier and Robert Platt of the Tax Commission observed Bill Bown removing stone from the site; and September 22, 1997 when Jerry Frazier observed a load of stone coming out of the project area.

cc:

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